



LTC Morris Goins

Lieutenant Colonel Goins was commissioned through ROTC in 1985, served two years in a reserve unit, and graduated from the University of North Carolina at Pembroke in 1987. He served with the 2nd BN, 503rd Infantry Camp Hovey, Korea as a Platoon Leader and Company Executive Officer. After serving two years in Korea, Lieutenant Colonel Goins was assigned to Delta Company, 1st BN, 28th Infantry at Fort Jackson, SC where he served as Company Executive Officer, and Company Commander. Lieutenant Colonel Goins then served six months with the United Nations in the Western Sahara as a UN Military Observer.

He next served with 2nd BN, 15th Infantry and served as Battalion Motor Officer, Charlie Company Commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Company Commander. In 1998 he took command of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st BN, 3rd Infantry (The Old Guard), the Army's premier ceremonial unit and Escort to the President.

Lieutenant Colonel Goins left command because he was selected to be the Aide-De-Camp to the Commanding General of the Military District of Washington. Next, he served as the Chief of Plans and Exercises, G3, for 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized) at Ft Stewart, GA. After thirteen months he became the operations officer for 2-7 IN (M) "Cottonbalers By GOD, Damn fine soldiers". Lieutenant Colonel Goins next served as the operations officer for 1st Brigade, 3ID (M). While as the brigade operations officer he deployed the Brigade Combat Team to Kuwait in support of the Global War on Terrorism Operation Enduring Freedom and executed combat operations during Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is currently assigned to The Joint Staff, Deputy Directorate Antiterrorism/Homeland Defense Antiterrorism/Force Protection (J-3) plans and analysis; CENTCOM AOR. Lieutenant Colonel Goins was selected to command 1st Battalion 12th Cavalry, Fort Hood Texas.

His awards include the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Army Achievement Medal with four oak leaf clusters, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary, Global War on Terrorism Serves, Korean Defense Service Medal, National Defense Medal with one campaign star, Korea Serves Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal and the United Nations Medal with one campaign star, NATO Medal, Ranger Tab, Parachutists Badge, The Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge, and the combat Infantryman's Badge. Lieutenant Colonel Goins is a graduate of the Infantry Officer Basic, and Advanced Courses, Ranger School, Airborne School, Battalion Maintenance Officer Course, Bradley Leader Course, Combined Arms Service School, Command & General Staff Officer Course, and the School of Advanced Military Studies.